



MINUTES MEETING April 9, 2019

The Board Meeting was called to order by S. Burks, Chairwoman, at 7:25 p.m.

Members present: Sarah Burks, Ellen Aamodt, Geraldine Tremblay, Dan Johnson.

Others present: James McGough, Chuck Luca, Susan Gilbert, Nancy Blanton

Absent: Mike Borgasano, Anne-Marie Delaunay-Danizio, Tracy Skahan

Directors' Update

Dan Johnson advised that the budget is slightly ahead of target. The major fundraising event for the financial year will be held in Spring 2020 at Town Hall. Between now and then, other possible day trip will be considered. CEDAM is a co-sponsor of the Garden Party to celebrate the restoration of the reflecting pool and Menotomy Hunter on May 18. Tickets are on sale at CEDAM. Announcements of the event will be prepared by Heather Leavell through Constant Contact. The Directors also announced that a very significant donation is expected shortly.

Nancy Blanton advised that a number of tours are scheduled in the coming months for a group from the Museum of Fine Arts on April 24 and a group from Osher Life Long Learning from Tufts on June 8.

The Beer Garden will be opened in Whittemore Park from June through September on Saturdays from noon until 7 p.m.

Collections

The Museum purchased the Dallin portrait painting called 'Mrs. Hall's Letter', one of only three known portrait paintings, and has sent it to the Restorer, Peter Williams, for restoration.

Operations

The basement door needs repair. Heather Leavell will contact the Town Maintenance, Mike Carney, for repairs.

Volunteer Report – J. McGough summarized the volunteer report. The Board updated the visitor figures to reflect the latest activity bringing the YTD total to 188, significantly more than at this time last year. A group of 21 from the History Camp visited the museum in February. The museum is considering making a presentation at the 2020 History Camp.

Events Calendar

Susan Gilbert is adding CEDAM's events to the events calendars of Arts Arlington, Arts Boston and other relevant media publications.

Art on the Green is set for September 14. Ellen Aamodt will represent CEDAM at Volunteer Bingo on 22 April.

Marketing

Docents will be sending Thank You notes to visitors, inviting them to bring a friend for a free tour. Much media attention will be devoted to the Garden event on 18 May celebrating the restoration of the reflecting pool and Menotomy Hunter.

New/Old Business

Trustees are requested to make recommendations for new Trustees at the next meeting. Heather Leavell will conduct training on PayPal for docents on the weekend.

Ellen Aamodt made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Sarah Burks and approved unanimously.

Ellen Aamodt, Secretary, Board of Trustees

Action Items

Heather: get basement door secured, Hunter gift, thank you notes

Nancy, Sarah: Hidden Treasures

Nancy, Susan: promotion of Town Day

Susan: promotion of Garden Part, May 18

Sarah, Heather: training on PayPal

All: recommendations for Trustees